

June 9

Dear ones -

at sea again - a good ship, an army transport this time - 2 meals a day - quarters are very comfortable - facilities are even better than the first trip. we played some bridge last night; the sleeping was swell and we were under way when we got up this morning. It is a cold dull day - dark and dreary - but the ship is buzzing right along. I share a stateroom with a navy ensign. we have a shower - fresh water - very swell. we are fortunate that all our luggage, gear, & equipment is with us. when we get to our assignments there will be no waiting for that stuff to show up.

For the first time in 6 months, I thought I was to be separated from the old gang that first got organized at Reynolds. I am not with Al & Fred & any of the boys; some Baumgartner has moved out on another ship. but I got on this ship and lo and behold one of our old gang who had left Reynolds & the states about a month before we had & is now assigned out here in New Caledonia. He was with us in those happy days with Major Reeves. & - I am

still with someone from Reynolds. It seems natural
to be in a boat again, too, and have to carry the
life jacket around. What does seem unusual, and
too good to be true, is that in a few days I'll be
reporting in to a job, an assignment; I'll have
something to do! - my radio gives my new
address as Hq. Science Command APO 703 - but
I'll write you the complete story + address as soon
as I get the lay of the land.

That is it right up to date. I'll continue this
note off and on during the trip. Life on ship
board except for boat drills is a matter of killing
time reading & playing cards. No sun to
bath in today.

June 11

I am in the New Hebrides. Our boat got
here - I can't say what island of the group - this
morning and I got out to Hq. just in time
for an excellent lunch. I will sign in in a
few minutes and get what else I can on
the set-up here.

The trip up was ok - a little rougher and
more vibrations but not too bad. It was such a
short trip that there is little to tell. We had all

our baggage upfit with us - as I have all my stuff right here. a jeep picked me up at the dock + I couldn't help but think of that day - almost 10 months ago when I arrived at Camp Forest + called up the 730th for some transportation. Once again I face the happy job of adjusting myself, meeting new people, making new friends, and getting back into the harness of work. as far as old friends are concerned. they are now only correspondents - none of them are with me.

I saw Abbott + Costello in "who Smet" on board ship - a good laugh but nothing subtle. just good honest horseplay + burlesque. Movies are #1 entertainment around here - I guess. but I hope I can keep my bridge playing and canin' at a peak of accuracy. I am very glad that Denry cards - a swell past-time.

well, I am not going to try to guess as to what is in store for me - I'll write a letter by blur description to you.

Love,
Sunny

Still using APO 7769